

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A hair ~~bleach~~ or dye composition, which comprises an amino-modified silicone, a highly polymerized silicone having a number-average degree of polymerization of 1000 or greater, a cationic polymer, an oxidizing agent and an alkali agent.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The hair ~~bleach~~ or dye composition according to Claim 1, which comprises the amino-modified silicone, highly polymerized silicone having a number-average degree of polymerization of 1000 or greater and other silicones in such a ratio that the reduced amino equivalent expressed by the following equation:

Reduced amino equivalent (g/mol) = {total weight of all the silicones in 1 g of the whole composition (g/g)}/{total moles of amino, imino and ammonium groups of the amino-modified silicone in 1 g of the whole composition (mol/g)}

falls within a range of from 500 to 100000 g/mol.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The hair ~~bleach~~ or dye composition according to Claim 1 ~~or 2~~, further comprising a higher alcohol.

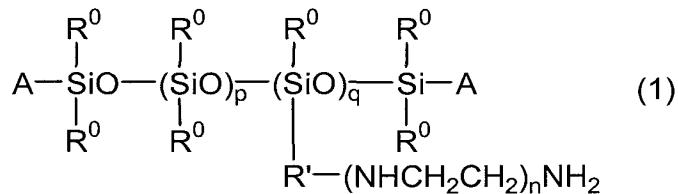
Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The hair ~~bleach~~ or dye composition according to Claim 1 any one of Claims 1 to 3, further comprising a surfactant.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The hair ~~bleach~~ or dye composition according to Claim 1 any one of Claims 1 to 4, wherein the alkali agent is ammonia or monoethanolamine.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The hair ~~bleach or~~ dye composition according to Claim 5, further comprising a carbonate salt as the alkali agent.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The hair ~~bleach or~~ dye composition according to Claim 1 ~~any one of Claims 1 to 6~~, which has a pH of from 7.5 to 12.

Claim 8 (New): The hair dye composition according to Claim 1, wherein said amino-modified silicone is represented by formula (1):



wherein, R^0 represents a hydroxyl group, a hydrogen atom or R, R represents a substituted or unsubstituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, A represents R, a group $-\text{R}'-(\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NH}_2$, a group OR or a hydroxyl group, R' represents a divalent hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 8 carbon atoms, n stands for 0 to 3, and p and q are numbers, the sum of which is, in number average, 10 or greater but less than 1000.

Claim 9 (New): The hair dye composition according to Claim 1, wherein a content of said amino-modified silicone in said composition is from 0.01 to 30 wt. %.

Claim 10 (New): The hair dye composition according to Claim 1, wherein said highly polymerized silicone is at least one selected from the group consisting of dimethylpolysiloxane, methylphenylpolysiloxane and hydroxyl terminal dimethylpolysiloxane.

Claim 11 (New): The hair dye composition according to Claim 1, wherein a total content of said amino-modified silicone, said highly polymerized silicone and other silicon in said composition is from 0.02 to 40 wt. %.

Claim 12 (New): The hair dye composition according to Claim 1, wherein said cationic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of cationic cellulose derivatives, cationic starches, cationic guar gum derivatives, polymers or copolymers of a diallyl quaternary ammonium salt and quaternized polyvinylpyrrolidone derivatives.

Claim 13 (New): The hair dye composition according to Claim 12, wherein said cationic polymer is a polymer or copolymer of a diallyl quaternary ammonium salt and is at least one selected from the group consisting of a dimethyldiallylammonium chloride polymer, dimethyldiallylammonium chloride/acrylic acid copolymer, and dimethyldiallylammonium chloride/acrylic copolymer.

Claim 14 (New): The hair dye composition according to Claim 1, wherein a content of said cationic polymer in said composition is from 0.001 to 20 wt. %.